
A New Combination in *Deprea* (Solanaceae)

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ABSTRACT. *Physalis subtriflora*, type species of the genus *Larnax*, is transferred to the genus *Deprea*.

Previous comments (D'Arcy, 1979, 1986) that *Larnax* Miers (1849) is congeneric with *Deprea* Rafinesque (1838) are confirmed by the combination made here, which places the type species of *Larnax* in *Deprea*. Both this species and the type of *Deprea* were first described as members of *Physalis*, from which they differ in their woody habit, lobed corollas, and general appearance. The corolla lobing in *Deprea subtriflora* is deeper, more than halfway down, which led Hunziker (pers. comm.) to recognize the separation of *Larnax*. This difference does not seem to be of generic import. Other details accord with those of species now recognized as *Deprea*. The present concept conforms with that of Miers, whose genus *Larnax* embraced the type species of both *Larnax* and *Deprea* (*D. orinocensis* (Kunth) Rafinesque). When Hunziker (1977) resurrected *Larnax* as a genus, he did not note any differences between it and *Deprea*.

Deprea subtriflora (Ruiz & Pavón) D'Arcy, comb. nov. Basionym: *Physalis subtriflora* Ruiz &

Pavón, Fl. Peruv. 2: 42. t. 178a. 1799. TYPE: Peru. Lima: Canta Prov., around Obragillo and S. Bonaventura, *Pavón* s.n. (not seen).

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